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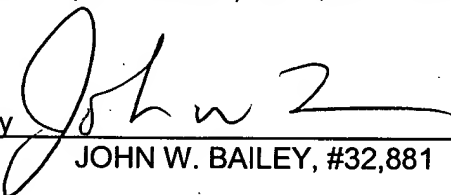
Sir:

In reviewing the above-identified application file, the undersigned has noted that the Examiner has not acknowledged receipt of the claim for foreign priority filed in PCT application PCT/JP99/04080. The Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) indicates that the priority documents were submitted by the applicant or IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt of the Claim for Convention Priority and the certified priority documents

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